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No. 161 *M.*—1898-99, *dated 3rd February* 1899.

The following draft of amendments proposed to be made in the Rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation II of 1888, published with Notification No. 311 M.—1897-98, dated the 29th June 1898, is hereby published for general information and will be taken into consideration on and after the 10th of March 1899.

Objections and suggestions in respect of the draft amendments submitted before the date above prescribed will be duly considered.

Draft of amendments of Rules under the Explosives Regulation, 1888.

Rule 18 (1). Instead of the words "and the site thereof" insert the following :—

"and a plan of the site thereof, on a scale of not less than 1 inch to 66 feet, showing the details specified in clause (2), (a) and (b)."

For Rule 33, XXII the following amendment is proposed :—

"If the waggons employed in the transport of explosive, or the vehicles immediately adjoining them, are provided with brakes other than iron brakes, the brakes shall on no account be worked while such waggons are running."

Rule 40. The following additions to this rule are proposed :—

After the words "shall be bound to produce the same" insert—

"or an authenticated copy which shall be kept at the magazine or place to which it applies ;" and at the end insert—

"copies of licenses may, for the purpose of this rule, be authenticated by any of the officers aforesaid or by the authority granting them."

Rule 43 The following amendment is proposed :—

"The officers herein undermentioned are authorized, within the areas respectively specified below—

(a) to enter, inspect and examine any house, erection or other place or any cart, truck, boat or other vehicle in which explosive is being manufactured, possessed, used, sold or transported; or in which they have reason to believe that explosive is being manufactured possessed, used, sold or transported ;

(b) to search for explosives therein ;

(c) to take samples of any explosives found therein on payment of the value thereof ;

(d) at their discretion to seize, detain, remove and, if necessary for the public safety, destroy any explosive found therein in respect of which there is reason to believe that the provisions of the Regulation or of these rules have been contravened.

Provided that—

(1) whenever any such officer detains or removes any such explosive, he shall report the fact to the District Magistrate ; and

(2) he shall not destroy any such explosive without the previous sanction of the District Magistrate.

Areas.—	*Officers.*—
In all parts of Mysore	The Chief Inspector of Explosives in Mysore or any person specially deputed in this behalf by the Government of Mysore.
In places where explosives are used for mining purposes.	The Chief Inspector of Mines. The Inspector and and Deputy Inspector of Mines.
Within their respective districts ..	All District Magistrates and any Subordinate Magistrate or Police officer not below the rank of Inspector, deputed in this behalf by the District Magistrate."

Form A. Condition 4. For "lightly constructed building" substitute "lightly constructed, one-storied building"—

Condition 7, 2nd proviso—

Omit the words "made with gunpowder" after the words "ammunition" of the 1st division of the 6th class."

Form B. Condition 6, 2nd proviso—

Omit the words "made with gunpowder."

Form C. Condition 2, 2nd proviso—

Omit the words "made with gun-powder."

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ERRATA.

Rule 18. (3) (d) for "month" read "fifteen days."

Rule 23. For "twenty" read "five."

Form D. After the conditions insert the following :—

"[Extracts from the rules defining the classes and divisions of classes of explosives will be printed on the license.]"

By Order,

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